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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my displeasure at the current state of the proposed Microsoft antitrust settlement. I feel that, in its current state, the settlement does not adequately address the problems of Microsoft's anticompetitive behavior. There are so many loopholes that it would be trivial for Microsoft to continue the kinds of activities that got it into this situation in the first place. Please consider this message to be a vote AGAINST the proposed settlement.

Specifically, there are problems with the definition of "API" that render most of the propositions dealing with APIs to be useless. Microsoft uses licensing schemes to specifically restrict the use of Open Source systems, which is not addressed in the settlement at all. The problem of Microsoft using OEMs to control the market is addressed, but doesn't cover several avenues of activity that Microsoft could use to continue its behavior. The list goes on.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message.

Sincerely,
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